National Highways in Uttar Pradesh

†3150. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of National Highways in the country;

(b) whether Government are aware of the percentage of the total National Highways which exists in the State of Uttar Pradesh alone; and

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) At present there are 176 National Highways and one National Expressway in the country.

(b) and (c) There are in all 30 National Highways passing through or within the State of Uttar Pradesh.The number of these National Highways are 2, 2A, 3, 7, 11,19, 24, 24A, 25, 25A, 26, 27, 28, 29, 56, 56A, 56B, 58, 72A, 73,74,75,76, 86,87,91,92, 93, 96 and 97. The total length of National Highways in Uttar Pradesh is 4942 Kms. which is 8.5% of the the total length of National Highways in the country.

Opposition of NGOs regarding road projects

3151. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the East-West corridor in the Golden Quadrilateral is being opposed by several Non-Governmental Organisations in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps proposed to meet the objections raised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) Yes, Sir, few references have been received from NGOs regarding the portion of East-West corridor passing through Jalpaiguri district of West Bengal.

(b) Some NGOs have requested to change the alignment of the portion of East-West Corridor passing through Jalpaiguri district of West Bengal

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